

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for operating a coin actuated entertainment automat is disclosed. A coin is placed into a coin acceptance device of an entertainment automat. The coin is then tested in a coin testing device. Symbols on a symbol display device are displayed, wherein a displayed symbol combination comprises several symbols. A symbol combination is displayed with the symbol display device upon reaching of a predetermined symbol combination or upon reaching of a predetermined credit balance in a credit balance counter disposed on the side of the control unit. The course of the game is controlled with a control unit including a microcomputer and a pseudorandom number generator. The course of the game is influenced by an operational element disposed on the front side of the entertainment automat. A symbol is substituted by another randomly determined symbol. The symbols within a predetermined time window are renewed until a winning carrying symbol combination is reached. Then the obtained winning is accumulated in a credit balance counter.